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Responsive to the Notice to File Missing parts dated June 24, 2004, now extended to December 24, 2004 by this contemporaneous Petition for Extension of time for four months, Applicant submits the following:

REMARKS

Enclosed herewith please find the Executed Declaration, along with a check, for the late Declaration fee. Applicant hereby claims small entity status. A reduction of ½ for filing by small entity (see 37 CFR 1.27).

Futher, replacements drawings for figures 1-4 are enclosed.

Applicant respectfully submits that all of the requirements have been met for the issuance of a Filing Receipt.

A check for Eight Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$860.) is included for the extension of time petition and late declaration fee.

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If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (260) 484-4526.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 1-4.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

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